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**GOD'S LOVE**

## Not Here

It is not I that here you see,  
This out-worn shell  
Which I have used a while and laid aside.  
My spirit soars undaunted,  
To meet the Master I have loved so well.

It is not I on flowery couch,  
This house of clay,  
Weary and worn by earth and cares of life.  
I have but gone to glory  
To be with loved ones, evermore to stay.

I am not dead, but sleeping now,  
A rest so sweet;  
I did but hear the clarion call.  
And soon we all united  
Will bow in worship at the Master's feet.

—Bertrice Covell Smith.

THE GROUND OF

EPH. 2:20

1 TIM. 3:15

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"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

June 6, 1936

## Notices

There will be an all-day meeting at the Church of God at Thomasville, Ala., the third Sunday in June, the 21st. We are looking for all the members to come home that day. We will have some good singers and expect to have good music by the Nicholasville string band. Everybody come and bring your song books, also a well-filled basket of good eats. All the churches in the Thomasville district are invited. Services will begin at 10:00 a. m.—J. M. Hartline, pastor.

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To all my friends who love me: I wrote a tract this year on Divine Healing. Any of my friends who would like to have one, send me postage and I will send you one. If you want more than one, just send me what the Lord puts on your heart to send. I have just a few more. I covet the prayers of all my friends. I am having the hardest trial that I ever heard of anybody having, but I have been trusting the Lord so many years. If you will pray for me the Lord will take me through this, for nothing is too hard for the Lord. Please pray earnestly for your sister and please pray for the revival going on here. Pray that the Lord will save the worst sinner in town. Pray especially for one man and woman who are poor, lost sinners. Please pray for me.—Mary Lynch, 104 2nd St., Thomas-ton, Ga.

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The district convention at Murphy, Okla., was fine. Sunday at 11:00 a. m. we dedicated the new church building. Saturday evening was the first service to be held in it. It certainly is a nice one, 30x46 feet, all paid for and finished, complete except painting.—S. J. Wood.

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There will be a dedicatory service at the Church of God at Crow Creek, June 21. Our state overseer will be with us. Bring a well-filled basket for a spread dinner. Everybody invited. — E. B. Cooper, clerk, Rt. 2, Pikens, S. C.

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There will be a home coming at the Church of God at Oakman, Ga., the third Sunday in June. Everybody invited. Be sure to bring a well-filled basket. We are expecting some good speakers, also some good singers. Best of all, we are expecting the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.—Pastor, H. R. Davenport.

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I thank God that we have the Church of God set in order at Caroleen, N. C. with Brother Albert Teaster as pastor.

We invite all Church of God preachers as they are going through Caroleen to stop and visit us. Please pray for us that we will stay humble and do God's will.—Roy Vess, clerk, Box 51, Caroleen, N. C.

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The Church of God at Jonesboro, Ala. will have home coming June 21. All members are expected to be present and bring an offering to pay on the general expense of the church. If you can't be with us, then send your offering and pray for us. The Alabama City band is expected to be here. We have also invited the state overseer, Brother G. C. Dunn. The near-by churches are invited. Come, come, one and all. Bring a well-filled basket and an offering please.—Respectfully, W. E. Hodo, 617 Bryant St., Des-semer, Ala.

### EVANGEL DRIVE

North Carolina Evangel day, June 7th. The pastor of each local church, together with his Evangel committee, is to boost the Evangel and secure subscribers. We are trusting for great results from this drive.—John L. Stephens, overseer of North Carolina.

The Church of God choir of Fort Worth, Tex. enters contest with other choirs of Fort Worth and will sing the first Sunday in June, the 7th, over KTAT at 9:30 a. m. The winner gets \$100.00. They judge by the number who write in congratulations to the choir they like best. Please one and all who can listen in and will, write, each of you, to KTAT, Ft. Worth, Tex., in favor of our choir, if you can.—Pastor, Roy E. Blackwood.

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As there are many of the Lower Rio Grande Valley church folks away at different places, I'm sure you are anxious to send in your 10c on the aged ministers' fund, also 10c on state parsonage. Remember the 40c for general indebtedness as it is still on those who have not paid. Let's put forth a special effort to go over the top on everything by Texas camp meeting in August at Weatherford. Meet me there.

Things are moving nicely at Edinburg for which we thank the Lord. We have our two big lots paid for and a 30x40 foot building erected, also a three-room parsonage. Pray for us. If you are not taking the Church of God Evangel, subscribe for it. The little Lighted Pathway is chock-full of good things for the old as well as the young.

Pray for our revival with Brother Jones doing the preaching. Sister Tina

Roberts has been appointed clerk of the Edinburg church.—Yours in the Master's service, W. W. Smethers, district overseer, Box 897, Edinburg, Tex.

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The camp meeting for the southern part of the State of Alabama will convene at the Sunny South Church of God near Pine Hill, Ala., July 31-Aug. 9. Ministers of the southern part of the state, please make your plans to be there. We hope to have our new tent by that time so come prepared to camp.—G. C. Dunn, state overseer of Alabama.

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The Decatur, Ala. district convention will convene at Decatur Church of God, 651 Grant St., July 3-5. Everybody is invited. Come expecting a good time in the Lord. G. C. Dunn, state overseer, will be in charge.—A. J. Murray, district pastor, Decatur, Ala.

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There will be a Sunday School rally day at the Church of God at Demorest, Ga., June 21st, the third Sunday. Everybody is invited to come and bring a well-filled basket. We have invited our state Sunday School superintendent, Brother Daniel, to be with us on that day. We are expecting a wonderful time in the Lord, so come, let's enjoy the feast of the Lord.—T. W. Harkins, Demorest, Ga.

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The district convention of the Church of God on the Demorest district will convene at Clayton, Ga., July 3-5. Our state overseer, Brother J. P. Hughes, will be in charge, D. V. We have invited our Editor and Publisher and General Secretary and Treasurer, Brothers S. W. Latimer and E. J. Boehmer, to be with us, and many others. The entertainment for the visiting ministers will be free. We are expecting every pastor, deacon, Sunday School superintendent and secretary to be present. Come praying that God will bless in a great way on this occasion. Everybody is invited to come partake of this feast of the Lord. Saints everywhere, please pray for us on the Demorest district.—Yours in the Master's service, T. W. Harkins, district pastor.

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Dear Evangel readers, I have changed my address from Hendersonville, N. C. to Caroleen, N. C. All who want me to pray for the healing of your bodies, send handkerchiefs to Caroleen, N. C., to be anointed.—Your brother in Christ, Albert Teaster, Caroleen, N. C.

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To whom it may concern: My address is now Box 285, Olney, Ill., as we have changed pastorate from East Alton to Olney.—C. G. Carder.

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To whom it may concern: My address is 7045 78th Ave., S. E., Portland, Ore.—Sidney M. Pearson.

# The Altar of Baal

BY M. B. MOSS

*"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins," Isa. 58:1. "But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand," Ezek. 33:6.*

NOW this is a "watchman" that stands on his watchtower day and night, ready to warn the city of the approach of an enemy at any time. His place is high and lifted up on top of the wall of the city so he can see from afar the wave of a banner, or flag, or the glitter of armor. His eye is clear, and alert, his ear is in tune, or tuned in to catch the faintest sound of a footstep, a trumpet, a tramp of many feet or sound of voices. This is the work of those that watch and pray upon their watchtower of prayer, those that take time to yield to God's Holy Spirit in travail, and weeping, and crying, and waiting upon God! Glory to His sweet name forever!

How sweet, how glorious is that place of prayer! How clear, how alert are the spiritual eyes of the saints that pray, alert and clear, wide awake to the approach of the enemy on every hand. Also awake and ready for His coming and the glories of heaven, seeing great distances, seeing from afar, as the eagle-eyed saint of old, John the beloved, that saw the beauties of heaven, and the new Jerusalem, way down through the centuries.

Yes, God gives that keen "scent," as spiritual bloodhounds on the trail, scenting the enemy's approach, that we might keep clean, pure, and holy in His sight, and that the Church of God might be kept without spot, or blemish, ready for the Bridegroom when He comes.

Then the spiritual ears of those who pray are tuned in to catch the faintest sound, isolated, separated, called out from the crowds to hear His voice.

"So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me," Ezek. 33:7.

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins," Isa. 58:1.

O Church of the Living God, we see the enemy approaching and sweeping in-

to our midst, and as the "watchman" of old, we lift up the trumpet through the Evangel.

Let the clear, old gospel call go down through the ranks of the old warriors, champing their bits as old war horses, snorting and pawing for battle as you hear that tramp of the enemy and smell the smoke and fire and brimstone of hell behind!

My Lord, help us. We all could see it clear and plain if the old devil came in like a gentleman, announcing his arrival, but he comes sneaking in like a thief, and robber, stealthily, deceitfully, craftily, like the serpent and old splitfoot liar that he is. John 8:44 shows up his character. Yes, here he comes, that great "angel of light" alluringly, attractively, fascinatingly, sweeping into the church as Delilah did into Samson's eye and heart.

Here we have Samson a type of the Spirit-filled Church. Delilah is a type of the world with its charm, fascination, lust and sin, covering its emptiness and nakedness with flimsy spiderweb garments, jazzy music and sweet perfumes, with pomp, show, glitter, and glare to attract the eye and ear, the lust of flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, 1 John 2:15, 16.

After we are saved, we can all see where Delilah has swept into all the churches of the land, bringing in worldly methods of drawing and attracting, and entertaining a crowd by programs, plays, substituting education, culture, refinement, talent, art and music for the demonstration and power of the Holy Ghost. Through God's Word we see society as whitewashed sepulchres covering dead men's bones, the "old man" within. Samson's locks were shorn, his strength was gone as the churches of today—no power, no Spirit.

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet and shew my people." We see the enemy establishing the altar of Baal and his grove in churches of the land, substituting festivals, socials, dinners, oyster stews, ice cream socials, dances, cards, plays, and programs, Easter bunnies and eggs, Christmas trees and Santa Claus for the true worship of God in spirit and in truth, John 4:23. Instead of "fire" in the kitchen, we need "fire" in pulpit and pew. There is a famine in the land—no Holy Ghost rain, no Spirit of God, no revivals.

Baal worshippers cried and plead and prayed to Baal in 1 Kings 18 and cut

themselves with knives, in vain. In Judges 6, in Gideon's time, Baal was that old heathen idol that Israel was bowing down to, that had taken the place of worship to Jehovah, the true and living God whom Israel turned their backs on. Well, that old idol was destroyed long ago, but his ancestors have cropped up here and there all down the centuries and we can see the spirit of that old idol in the churches of to-day. Anything or anyone that comes between you and God in your hearts and lives, or in your church, is your god or idol. We can see pleasure-loving, money-mad America bowing down to the "god of this world" and his temple is well cared for by millions of devoted worshippers who give over willingly and gladly to pleasure and money-making.

Yes, we can see the sinner bowing down before his adorable cigarette, or drink, movie, dance or another woman that he loves better than his own wife. You sing in vain. You can't get to heaven with a sweetheart and wife. Sure, you saved, sanctified children of God can see all that, but can you see that same old Baal worship creeping into the Church of God? Where the programs and plays have come in we see the same results. The spirit is quenched, the programs bring a stilted, bound, man-fearing spirit. All freedom is lifted and the meetings are cut and dried like the old Presbyterian young people's meetings we had long ago, where we read a slip of paper and sat down in fear and trembling. In both the North and South, the old saints of God told us the young people used to have real Spirit-filled messages under the anointing, but since the programs they are bound.

In the South, where we traveled as evangelists, they told us after the Christmas plays in the church it takes the young people a long time to get in the Spirit again. Many have to be reclaimed after they finally do pray down a revival spirit once more.

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet." O Lord, use us as Thou didst Gideon of old, to throw down the altar of Baal and cut down the grove and to build an altar unto the Lord our God, Judges 6:25.

In this lukewarm, cold, backslidden, age of the Church, this Baal worship has brought defeat and shame to almost every church in the land, and "Ichabod," the glory departed, has been written over the doors. If you bring in to your doors the same methods, O Church of God, your name will not save you. What are these things producing in our ranks? Nothing but weaklings, young people continually backsliding, great multitudes of backsliders. Where are the mighty men and women of God as of

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## ✿ Editorials ✿

### EVANGEL COMPLAINTS

We have more or less every week complaints from subscribers, telling us that they are not receiving their paper. We also receive cards every week from different post offices, telling us of changes in residents or some excuse for not delivering the paper. We have been writing the people and telling them to call at the post office. This week we received a card from one of our subscribers stating she had received only one paper since the Assembly and on the same mail there was a card delivered to us from the postmaster at her place, stating that they could not find her residence number. Both of these had on them the same address. We are doing everything we can to see that every subscriber gets a paper, and why it is that these post offices fail to deliver these papers we cannot understand. They charge us two cents for every card they send informing us that for some reason the paper is not delivered. I am sure we received six of these this week. Now this is very embarrassing and expensive to the House. I think we shall start mailing these cards to those who fail to get their paper. Two cents charges from the post office and three cents from the House to mail these cards will be five cents, so you see what a loss this will be. Please give your address to the postmaster if you are not receiving your paper, and request him to see that your paper is delivered. It is easy to complain, but it is hard to straighten complaints out. Most anybody can pick a flaw in anything after it is done, but it takes real skill to prepare things. Please prayerfully co-operate with us in our efforts to get the paper to you.

### THE GREAT RESTORER

Psa. 23:3, "He restoreth my soul." This verse is from one of the most familiar Psalms in the list. There is in

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these four simple words a wealth of meaning which we have overlooked. We are constantly brought face to face with the gravest of all deformities and transgressions of the human family and it seems but few thoroughly realize God's great power to restore one in such condition. We look upon the inmates of penitentiaries and other institutions of reform, habitual drunkards, dope fiends, the millions of outcasts in the world, and from the human viewpoint we are ready to say they are hopeless cases. But did you ever think about God's power to restore? There is much said about "The Lord is my Shepherd" and leading us into paths of righteousness, but little is said about "He restoreth my soul." What a wealth of blessings is overlooked in this third verse. We see men in almost the last stage of human degradation, stained with every kind of sin and crime, in utter despair, because of failure to lean upon the promises of God, but when we face such conditions, we may find a sufficient answer to the question in these words of the twenty-third Psalm, "He restoreth my soul."

In every transgression and depravity there is a promise and a hope of restoration, and quite often more than we are really conscious of. The promises of the gospel extend not only to the restoration of the gifts and graces of which sin has despoiled the life, but the assurance of God which can be obtained by faith is so overwhelmingly great that it goes beyond even the innocence of childhood to restore the very righteousness of Christ to all the fallen in any age or stage of life. When speaking of the soul, we need not be so careful to define the nature of the soul in its individuality. In fact, the soul is no asset. To quote an early writer, "It is the sum of man's natural power." The soul is the nerve center of life. It is there the deadly virus of sin works. The mind is the defile, the judgment is perverted, the will is weakened, the finer emotions are dulled. There are those on whom the stress of these recent days has

taken remorseless hold. One anxious, troubled day succeeds another. They have become strangers to the deep and satisfying peace which once possessed the soul. Such may open their eyes, however, to a new prospect of peace and divine fullness. You may hear Him, "My peace I give unto you." "I will give you rest." "I have overcome the world." "Thou restoreth my soul."

Then some of us have lost something of the fervor and freshness of our early spiritual life. We may be equally attracted to religious duties and habits but the former glow and vision have departed. A chill has settled down upon the soul and only the Divine Restorer can kindle anew the fires. He brought such renewal to David, to Elijah, to Peter, to Wesley, and to Luther. He waits to breathe the same quickening impulse upon your life and mine. All of this is true as of those who are conscious of the loss of spiritual power. Our restless activities, our planning, and striving are poor substitutes for power, but all power is His. He is not only ready to restore but to enlarge and increase the flow through us of His divine Spirit. We may thus live anew the life of victory and fruitfulness. How many are conscious of the loss of joy. The freshness and spontaneity of the early experience has departed. Ecstasy and exultation have been lost. It is natural for earthly joys to pall, but spiritual joys have an infinitely greater value. Wherefore, from the failures or defects, or sorrows, or trials which have robbed us of this priceless bond, we may come for full restoration. He restores my soul, He can make the past failures as though they had not been, He can banish fears and transform the midnight of doubts and cares into the noonday of faith and hope. All these restorations spoken of in Psalm 23:3 may be ours for the repenting and reconsecration of our lives and talents to God.

### An Enjoyable Y. P. E.

We thank God for a great Y. P. E. at the Church of God in Greenville, S. C. The Lord was with us last Saturday night in a marvelous way. Some were saved, sanctified, and some filled with the Holy Ghost. We thank God for a devout Christian and president like Mrs. Joe Stancil. We also thank God for our pastor, Brother Earl Paulk. The Lord surely saw our need of him, he is a blessing to all.

Sister Helen Morrow and coworker began a revival in our church May 17. Pray for us.—Your brother in Christ, C. W. Christopher, Greenville, S. C.

The world and false professors and hypocrites can accuse us falsely and misjudge us, but they have not the power to convict or sentence us.

# Neglect

IDA MCCOY

*"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation," Heb. 2:3.*

IN reading the Evangel, May 9th issue, I noticed Sister Tidwell's message on "Effectual Prayer." My, how I enjoyed that. It was just the only solution for the one saying, "What is the matter with the church?" So here comes the real cause—neglect.

One must have salvation to neglect it. A mother must have a child before she can neglect it. A farmer must have a farm to neglect it. Then comes the question, "Why do you neglect your salvation?" You are giving your time to things pertaining to this life—worldly pleasures, comforts, or amusements. If the pastor had not gone fishing, he could have prayed more. He would have had a rich, juicy sermon instead of such a dry sermonet. He neglected to pray. I have heard the remark, "I just don't have time to pray." Take time, brother, sister. You take time to sweep, dust, visit, go sight-seeing, and other things for recreation. Why not try praying? Mothers, you drill that child on his or her part in the play at school but do you ever pray with them, and instruct them in righteousness? Some say that such mature thoughts are for the grown-ups. You had better not neglect that boy or girl or they will bring you to disgrace and shame and cause you to go sorrowing to your grave.

To neglect your garden means weeds and stunted growth and no yield on good ground choked by weeds. Then don't you see, brother, sister, the things that are choking or crowding out your prayer life? If you neglect to pray you will soon get to the place you don't care whether you pray or not. Your love is on the wane. The neglect will soon be noticed by others. The victory will be gone, the joy leaked out, all because you neglected to pray, neglected your duty to God and your duty to your children and to your neighbors, the sick, the suffering. You say, "I have to work so hard I don't have time." Find some time. If you are God's, your time is His. Why are you using all of God's time on yourself? Perhaps you think you can get by because you got the blessing years ago and you can still feel it when some one shouts, but you will admit you don't pray like you ought to and you neglect weekly prayer meetings, just so worn out with the cares of life. "To him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not to

him it is sin." Try to make your worship first. Let God be first in everything. Let your work go until you pray. If you must be on time, get up earlier. Give yourself time to pray. Don't neglect this.

How shall we escape? How can we even get there at all? Some have neglected their salvation so long that it is dried up and dead. They say, "I would give anything in the world if I could have just such an experience as Brother or Sister So and So." You can if you will take the care and pains they do with their salvation. They are glorifying their Christ by being real living witnesses of Him, by a life of consecration and prayer, a life of sacrifice and humility. It takes a heart that is humble for God to use. There is so much self-righteousness today, even among our own ranks.

Some think it is not necessary to pray as much as they used to when they were seeking the Holy Ghost, and Satan makes them believe they will get by on the past. If you have neglected your prayer life until your soul is lean and your joy gone, don't fool yourself up to think you can get by. You better stick your nose down in the dust and pray until you have joy and then keep it there and it will abide with you. Even the sinners can see that you have cooled off. The sermons are dry and not interesting. Your testimony belies yourself. You say, "I have the victory." You don't. You say, "I love the Lord." You don't. If you did, you would love your brother also.

That mother has almost choked her salvation to death making fine things for Mary or letting her daily routine of house work crowd out the prayer life. The office work is so confining, business is crowding out God, causing neglect.

This condition of things is the cause of failure in the Church, causing love to wane, and carelessness about our worship. The love of many shall grow cold, get lukewarm. Lord, help us to arouse and not be found napping. Iniquity is abounding on every hand. The battle is on. Come on, and don't be neglectful of those things that help us keep victory. It takes a valiant, victorious soldier to conquer the foe. Don't forget to pray morning, noon, and evening. Just as we eat to sustain our natural body, so we pray and commune with God and walk after the Spirit of love. If you will do this, He will say, Well done, at last.

Lovingly to all the precious saints.

Our submission is God's transmission.

## Satan Cannot Put God's True Children Down

I praise the Lord for our district convention which convened here May 1-3. Unity and love were prevalent throughout the convention. Words cannot express how happy we were to have our state overseer, Brother M. P. Cross, with us. We certainly appreciate having him in our homes and the good messages he brought forth from the good Word of God.

We also praise Him for sending our district overseer, Brother Ogle and wife, to hold us a revival. We had prayed quite a while for the Lord to send us a revival. It always seemed something would hinder, but in His time He answered our prayer. Brother Ogle surely preached some wonderful sermons. Eternity alone will reveal the good done.

We will not forget to thank Him for our dear pastor, Brother J. B. Baney, and wife, who have stood so true though the devil has tried hard to overthrow them in so many ways. But, thank God, he cannot put God's true children down. "The truth though crushed to the earth will rise again." You can count on Dyersburg. By God's help and grace we are going to rise above every wind of opposition and are with you in all we can do to support the great cause we represent.—Mrs. G. W. Baize, R. R. 2.

## Lemmon, S. D. Dist. Conv'n.

The Lemmon district convention of the Church of God convened at Lemmon, S. D., April 11-12, inclusive. The six services of the convention were conducted at the High School Auditorium with capacity crowds. There were many visiting delegates and several ministers from distant points in the Northwest. Among those present were: Paul H. Walker, overseer, F. W. Lemons, superintendent of Northwest Bible School, D. C. Boatwright, pastor at Mobridge, S. D., James A. Cross, evangelist, H. S. Syverson, pastor at Glad Valley and Coal Springs, and a Pentecostal minister from Lucas, S. D., with a brother and his wife accompanying. These good people with Brother H. W. Hiatt were received into the church fellowship with about fifteen others who have just recently been saved.

The closing night of the convention Paul H. Walker preached and there were scores who came to the altar for prayer, one receiving the Baptism.

It was a very wonderful time of refreshing showers of the presence of God throughout the entire deliberations. The convention was in charge of Brother Paul H. Walker, overseer of the Northwest.—Garner J. Wilkins, pastor.

## The Unappreciated Christ

BY A. C. SUMNER

EVER since Christ came into the world, He hasn't been appreciated like He should be by the greater part of the population. Isaiah (53:3) in foretelling of His coming into the world, said, "He is despised and rejected of men." Let's see if this has been fulfilled. St. John 1:11, "He came unto his own, and his own received him not." Now God has given His Son Jesus to be a Savior of the world and, this being the case, He is the only hope of heaven for mankind and the only escape of hell. It doesn't look reasonable that people would reject Christ and reject their only hope of heaven.

In John 10:9 Jesus said, "I am the door." We all know that the door of a house is for entrance, so Jesus being the door just means He is the only entrance into Heaven. St. John 10:1, "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber." We can see very clearly that Christ and His plans for our redemption are despised and rejected by thousands of different church members, but they will say that they have Christ. Let's see if they do. Turn with me to Heb. 12:14, "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." There are no other people who appreciate Christ's plan of redemption like the Church of God people do. They are the only people who accept the whole truth and rejoice in it.

All right, let's see some more about Christ's order and plan being despised and rejected. When Jesus was on earth He set up a plan so His people could be drawn closer together. He knew that it was very necessary to do so and He told His disciples that He was going to build Him a church and that the gates of hell should not prevail against it. It was ordered that this Church should carry the whole volume of His sacred truth unadulterated. Then cometh the devil to sow discord among the people. We do not know what the name of the first little church was that severed itself from the real Church of God, but we do know that there have been several hundred different factions organized and they all look at the Church of God with horror and disgust. Why? Because they haven't got the vision of the real Church of God and Satan makes them believe that it doesn't make any difference which one of these factions they belong to, just so they live for God.

I don't see how people can belong to God and reject the truth. We can prove

by the Bible that the Church of God holds up the whole truth to the world. In 1 Tim. 3:15 Paul said, "If I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." In Psalms 93:5 we find, "Thy testimonies are very sure: holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, for ever." We see that holiness belongs to the Church of God and it will not fit in any other church. There are other movements that claim holiness that don't carry the whole truth, but many have got their eyes open to the truth and are coming over to the Church of God. We see that Christ is despised, and also His Church. Some people will ask the question, "How do you know that it is the right church?" Then we can answer them by saying, "We know by its persecution, by the name that all other churches despise, and because it teaches the whole Bible." I know it isn't any trouble for other churches to get a permit in town to hold tent meetings but when the Church of God goes to get a permit, in many places they are frankly turned down. There are many things that go to prove that the Church of God is right.

I am sorry to say that some of the Church of God people are timid about the name of the Church of God. Some are asked what church they belong to and they will say, "I belong to the Holiness." Church of God folks, you that are ashamed of the name, you had better show what side you are on, if you don't you will be classed with those that despise the Church of God because Christ is the Head of the Church. Eph. 5:22. In Matt. 10:32 Jesus said, "Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven," and if we are ashamed of the name of the Church of God which He gave His life's blood for, I am sure that He will be ashamed to confess us before His Father, so come on. Let's tell the world that we belong to the Church of God.

### Request

A revival is in full sway at the Church of God in South Cleveland, Tenn. God is blessing in a wonderful way and many souls are finding their way to God. Brother J. W. Heaton is doing the preaching. We are looking for a landslide of souls. Please pray for the success of this meeting.—Carl Cox, pastor.

### Edinburg, Tex. Dist. Conv'n.

The Edinburg district convention convened at Edinburg, Tex., May 8-10. Friday night our first service opened with a large crowd present. Our hearts were made glad as members from the different valley churches began to come in and our voices were raised in songs of praise to our Redeemer. After a hearty welcome from our pastor, Brother W. W. Smethers, everyone joined in a good testimony service and then Brother Jones brought us an inspiring message, making us to realize that we are truly living in the last days.

Our overseer, Brother T. S. Payne, was with us throughout the convention and left with us many gospel truths. His message Saturday morning was to the church and Sunday morning to the ministers. Saturday and Sunday nights he encouraged the Christians to press the battle harder and admonished sinners to seek the Christ who gave His life for all. Brother Payne asked the churches of the valley to buy a tent for the evangelizing of this needy field and pledges were made with which we hope to soon have this accomplished.

Sunday morning Brother Nolan of Corpus Christi spoke to us in interest of missions and an offering for same was taken. As this was Mother's Day the first part of the afternoon service was given to a Mother's Day program by the Y. P. E's of the district, after which a report of the Willing Workers was given. Then the pastors of the different churches spoke in regard to their work.

After Brother Payne's message Sunday night we all took on new courage and parted with a greater determination to work and do more to help spread the gospel of Christ in this needy field. Truly the harvest is white here for the Church of God. May we labor while it is day, for soon the night cometh when man's work will be done. Pray for us in the Rio Grande Valley.—Tina Roberts, San Juan, Tex.

### Waycross, Ga. Dist. Conv'n.

Our beloved state overseer, Brother J. P. Hughes, was not able to attend on account of having been stricken with appendicitis a few days before. He sent Brother U. D. Tidwell in his place. The Lord met with us in power the first service to give victory. Friday night the welcome address was given by Brother James S. Roberts, pastor at Waycross. Response was given by pastors on the district. A short but interesting discourse followed by Brother Taylor, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church in Waycross. Then we had a sermon by Brother Tidwell.

The eleven o'clock sermon Saturday (Continued on page 15)



## NOTICES

I would like to hear from Sister Lee Robertson in South Carolina. I received a card from her but lost her address. If she sees this I would like for her to write me again.—A sister, Alice Burchett, 110 Pelham Ave., Schoolfield, Va.

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To the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E.'s in North Carolina: Greetings in Jesus' name. Since I've been appointed as your state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, I am going to do my best to prove a blessing to every local church. I have four months to visit eighty-six churches, so you see that I must keep busy. Please be patient and I'll be at your church just as soon as possible. These are two very important departments of the Church and they are certainly worthy of our work and prayers. Come on, district superintendents and pastors, let's make these works go for the glory of God. Time is short, Jesus is coming soon. What we do must be done quickly. We have a nice state Sunday School banner, also a state Y. P. E. banner. Churches, work hard for these banners. Don't fail to send your report to Brother C. M. Dunn, 33 Montana Ave., W. Asheville, N. C. He is our state secretary of the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E.'s. Please write me occasionally as I am anxious to know how your Sunday School and Y. P. E. are coming along. May God bless every one. Remember, I'm ready to help you if I can.—Lovingly, Max L. Atkins, 308 North Ave., Sanford, N. C.

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I am now open for calls in revival work. I will travel alone or will bring a guitar picker as I can get an expert guitar picker to travel with me, and he is on fire for the Lord. For reference write Brother W. M. Wood, our pastor, or Brother G. C. Dunn, our state overseer.—A brother in Christ, A. N. Daniel, Sylacauga, Ala., Box 727.

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There will be a home coming and memorial service at The Church of God in East Chattanooga, Tenn., the first Sunday in June. We earnestly desire that all members be present if possible. Our Sunday School will be twenty-one years old the first of June. Let's all try to be present and have a real home coming, also a memorial for our brothers and sisters who have died in the last few years. I don't know if this church has ever had a memorial service before, but we will try to remember those of our members who have died in the past eight and one-half years.—E. M. Ellis, pastor.

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A revival will begin at the Church of

God, Schoolfield, Va., June 9th. Brother J. L. Dorman, state overseer, will be in charge. He will be on the air over WBTM, Danville, Va., the week of June 15th at 8:00 a. m. (E. S. T.). Don't forget to tune in on this date. Pray that the Lord will give us a great revival.—I. H. Brabson, pastor.

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

We will have meeting and dinner served at the Church of God, Cramerton, N. C., June 7. There will be baptismal service at 2:30 p. m. at the McAdensville bridge, and the Lord's Supper and feet washing Sunday night. You are invited to come and feast with us. Also, revival services will begin Monday night, running two weeks or longer, the preaching by Brother Odis Smith of Spartanburg, S. C. Come one, come all.—W. W. Harmon, pastor.

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Notice to our friends and fellow laborers abroad: The Lord is blessing in our new field of labor for which we are glad. Truly, the harvest is ripe but laborers are few. If you hear the call to the extreme Northwest, please obey. While we feel the call to foreign fields as missionaries and are waiting on the Lord to supply our financial needs and so on, would it not be well to be doing something at home? Those blessed people are starving for the truth of God. Oh, that we might speak something that would stir up our pure minds and get the "go ye" in our very being so that we can't rest until we get into the thick of the fight. Souls are slipping off into eternity unprepared. Christian people are grabbing for the last straw in a desperate fight to stay on top. Some have apparently gone to the end of the rope. What shall we do, offer them the true Church and her government, that they may be able to steer the old ship a little farther or stay back and watch her sink? If you can't reach us personally, pray for us.—Yours in His service, L. L. Milam, 433 1-2 Ferry St., Salem, Ore.

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At the North Carolina state meeting some one borrowed my fountain pen and failed to return it. If the one who borrowed it sees this, please return it to the address below.—B. F. Coble, Erlanger, N. C.

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To the evangelist that's waiting for a call, come to the Letcher, Ky. district if you want to work. There are plenty of openings and a fine crowd of Church of God preachers and laity to work with. If our pastors are not needing a revival in their church, they are courteous and have a zeal for God. They will help you find a place in some schoolhouse or abandoned store building to hold a meeting. The

harvest is great, laborers few, go ye into all the world. That means Letcher too. You will find some of as fine folks in Letcher as you will find any place, and they need to hear the gospel. Come with us, we will do you good.

We have just visited Brother Fred Strunk, local pastor at Christopher. We had the pleasure of enjoying a good service in the new church which is almost completed, a beautiful frame building erected by the main highway, for which we praise God and credit Brother Strunk as leader, and his dear faithful helpers. We are sure God will bless them for their never-tiring efforts. We are delighted to thank the Lord for the nice little new church at Thornton which can be seen as you pass on the highway. Bro. Tommy Basham is the local pastor there. With his efficient management and faithful workers they have almost completed their building. We are expecting more new buildings in the near future. Come on, Letcher, let's lead the state in district work in a general way. The people in Letcher just need pastors and leaders who will stick and stay. Come on, pastors, let's put forth an effort to build at every church. We covet the prayers of the church in general that we may prosper and build (read Haggai 1:2-10).

I must just sound a note of praise for Brother Basham and Brother Strunk. Joshua and Cabel said, "We can take the land." These two boys said, "We can build," and they built. Any district or church would be blessed to get these boys as workers with them. They are eligible, efficient, and trustworthy. Our district convention convenes at Neon, June 12-14. Everybody welcome.—W. J. Blair, district pastor, Seco, Ky.

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We will have home coming at Crane Eater, Ga. the second Sunday in June. The orphans and other visitors from Cleveland will be there. You are invited to come. Remember the orphans. Bring a donation—money, Octagon soap coupons, food, clothing, handkerchiefs, towels, or anything that might be on your mind and heart to bring as your gift to them.—J. L. B. Poarch, clerk.

## NOTICE

\$10.00 in cash will be given the person selling the most Lighted Pathway Year-books by August 15th. Send your order at once for ten or more copies at 35c each. For fuller particulars see page 16, June issue of the Lighted Pathway.

## REPORTS

### Alabama State Convention

The Alabama state convention convened at Pratt City, May 8-10. The Lord was with us from the very beginning and made the occasion a blessing. The convention opened Friday night with songs and prayer. Brother Dunn, our state overseer, said for us just to let the Lord have His way, the Holy Ghost was with us. It seemed from start to finish the mighty power of God could be felt. The welcome address was given by our pastor, Brother M. D. Harwood, and I am sure every one was feeling very much at home and welcome by this time. Response was given by Brother Simpson and others. It just seemed God came down and filled us to overflowing with His love and power.

Saturday was a day to be remembered. Brother Burroughs brought the message. Those present will not soon forget how the power and glory of the Lord came down in such a marvelous way, the Holy Ghost giving a message in tongues, which made us see the need of drawing nearer to our Christ. An altar call followed. Saturday night we met at six-thirty for the singing, which was wonderful. We have a band of young people in Alabama we are proud of and appreciate very much. Brother Walker, our General Overseer, brought the message which was a blessing and enjoyed by all. The Holy Ghost came down in a wonderful way. The altar was filled with seekers.

Sunday morning we came back for another feast. Brother Ellis brought the message which is to be long remembered and appreciated. Just listening to this dear old warrior of Christ makes us think of Paul's writing, "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." Following was Brother Zeno Tharp's talk on missions. An offering was taken for same which amounted to \$105.03. I believe the people here realize the need of missions. In the afternoon we had the reports of the churches. The convention closed with everybody greatly encouraged.

Pray for us here in Alabama that we will do more for Christ and there will be many souls saved, that we will be ready to meet Jesus in peace and go to that great convention in the sky.—Your sister in Christ, Pauline Honeycutt, Pratt City, Ala.

### Delta, Miss. District Convention A Success

The Delta district convention con-

vened at the Stonefield Church of God near Charleston, Miss., April 24-26, and proved a great success. The convention opened with songs, prayers, and remarks by Brother T. M. McClendon, state overseer. The welcome address was given by Brother B. L. Roberts, the pastor, followed by responses. The subject for the evening was "God Best for Man and Man Best for God" by Brother M. C. Cockrell, district overseer.

Saturday morning we assembled at the appointed time to be favored with two good messages by Brother L. A. Harville on "Go Forward" and Brother H. W. Williams on "Every Man in Place." Remarks were made by Brother S. J. Wood of Oklahoma, which was enjoyed. Saturday afternoon was taken up with ministers' council. After the devotional service Saturday evening Sister Mary Tidwell boosted the Evangel, after which Brother Wood brought a message on "Who Is My Neighbor?" which was enjoyed.

Sunday morning service began at ten o'clock with a good song service. Sister Wood from Oklahoma spoke on "Sunday School Work." Another good message was given by Brother Wood on "The Foundation of God Standeth Sure." In the afternoon there was a mission offering and reports of the churches. The convention proved a great success to the work here. It has stirred the people's minds.—B. L. Roberts, pastor.

### Selmon City, Tex. District Convention

The district convention of the Church of God at Selmon City convened May 1-3 with our esteemed overseer, Brother T. S. Payne, present. Brother O. L. Crow, district pastor, was in charge.

The convention opened with a devotional service followed by the welcome address by the pastor with Sister Davis and Brother H. N. Bridges responding. Brother L. C. Pennington brought a wonderful message which was enjoyed by all.

Saturday morning we gathered again for service. After songs and prayer Brother Payne brought a wonderful message which was uplifting to our souls. Saturday afternoon Brother Tharp brought a glorious message. Brother Melton followed with a message which was enjoyed by all. Saturday night Brother H. N. Bridges spoke to us. His message stirred the souls of men and the altar was filled with seekers.

Sunday morning Sister Davis brought an inspiring message. Then Brother Payne spoke to us on "The Church." God surely blessed him in giving out His Word and many souls were stirred and got more light on the Church of God. This

brought us to the noon hour. Lunch was spread and everybody enjoyed the good things to eat. We gathered again for service at two-thirty. Sister Wilson gave a good talk on missions, after which an offering was taken for same. Brother H. N. Bridges followed with a talk on Sunday School. Brother Warman boosted the Evangel and made us see the need of this messenger being in every home. This brought our convention to a close with a high spiritual tide and impressions that will be an incentive to those who were there to be faithful throughout another year, if Jesus tarries.—Mrs. O. L. Crow, Overton, Tex.

### Desires to Be An Overcomer

MIDLAND CITY, Ala.—Dear Christian friends, I thank the good Lord for saving my soul and filling me with the precious Holy Ghost about thirteen years ago. I was added to the Church of God in a revival at Chapman, Ala., conducted by my dear son, Luther. I love the Church and all of you Christian people.

I too thank the Lord for the great privilege of being at the Assembly last October. It was real food to my soul. My dear friends in Christ, if I never get to be in another Assembly here, I truly hope to meet you and my dear loved ones in that great eternal Assembly in heaven where we will have no more heartaches, sad farewells, or heavy burdens to bear.

I ask every child of God who reads this to pray for me that I will be a full overcomer, for I am going through some fiery trials. I surely need your prayers. I also have an unspoken request. God knows all about it. Please pray until your prayers are answered and if God grants it, I will give Him the glory for it all.

I surely thank every one for your letters, sympathy, and love. I can't answer all the letters I receive but I pray that God will richly bless and be with every one. I will be glad to hear from any who feel led to write to me.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. N. A. Corley, Rt. 2.

### Praise God for Blessings

CULLMAN, Ala.—We are still praising God for His wonderful blessings and for victory.

We want all the saints to pray for us. Don't neglect us but pray for us when you read this. I love the Church of God, love God's Word and love His blessed services. I am looking for His coming. Praise God! I am so glad of the blood of Jesus that cleanses us from all sin. I praise God for faith to trust Him for soul and body. Pray for us and for the church to be built up. Pray for me and my family and that I may overcome Satan in all His ways.—W. A. Wildmon.



### Behold What God Has Wrought

I feel like telling a few things through the Evangel of how God has healed, for His glory and for the benefit of the sick and suffering. In the face of all the unbelief and failures of the people of God, going down on divine healing and failing God, He is still working wonders and miracles.

I am now in Flint, Mich. in a few days' meeting, and to speak of all that God has done here would take too much space. I will mention one sister who had suffered fifteen years with gallstones and tumors. She came for prayer on May 21st. I asked her just what her trouble was and she said, "I have tumors and have suffered fifteen years." I told her to feel and see if she had any tumors, and when she felt for them, they were gone. She testified last night and said she felt like her clothes were falling off, they got so loose on her while the writer was talking to her. I never touched her but God did and the tumors disappeared. My friend, you may call this boasting, but I am just telling what God has wrought. This sister went through nine operations and was no better but rather grew worse. If I had a little of the money that is thrown away in this manner, I could do something for God. If any one has any doubt of this statement, write Brother Lewis L. Turner, the pastor of the Church of God here in Flint. His address is 3906 Zimmerman Ave., Flint, Mich.

While you are inquiring about that I will give you one more here in Flint and she is a member of the Church of God here. Sister Nilie had a very serious cancer and went to the Assembly last year to have the writer pray for her. She met me out in front of the Auditorium on the steps and told me she had a cancer and asked me to pray for her. I said, "Do you believe God will heal you?" She said, "Yes." I said, "That is sufficient," and instantly the cancer disappeared. The doctors had told her she would have to have her breast taken off. She is still healed and has testified to it since I have been here.

I am going to give you a testimony of a woman in Tarpon Springs, Fla. who was healed of a cancer that the doctors had cut off once and two had come back instead of one. This is the manner in which they write to a friend asking them to send me a handkerchief and telling them what God did for a woman with a cancer. The letter reads as follows: "I just received Brother Rouse's address this afternoon and am sending it to you. L. G. Rouse, 5647 Stanton St., Detroit, Mich. As he is so far away, you can get Miss Donia to send him a handkerchief

and he will anoint it, pray over it, and return it to her. He will write her just how to apply it. I think I wrote you about the woman at Tarpon Springs who had two cancers on her face. She sent him a handkerchief, had him to pray, anoint, and return it. She laid it on her face over the cancer. In a few minutes she took it down and there was a little blood on it. She laid it back on her face and took it off and there was a lot of blood on it. She laid it back on her face the third time and in a few minutes took it down and the cancer fell off with it. Her face is completely healed over. Sister People's daughter who lives in Tarpon Springs knows the woman and says that now her face is completely healed over and you can hardly tell where the cancer was. Praise the Lord. Sister Peoples says she was an unsaved woman and didn't even want her daughter to send the handkerchief to Brother Rouse. But she went to the doctor who had already cut one cancer off her face and he told her he wouldn't cut these out at all as it would only make them spread. Isn't it wonderful what our Lord can do? and all things are possible to them that believe. Write soon. Ella."

Now I don't know who this sister is that is writing only as she signs her name Ella, but behold what God has wrought, and settle it in your hearts that you will trust God. I don't see how our people want to lean on the weak arm of flesh. There is all sufficiency in the great power of God to heal all our diseases. To fail to trust God is unbelief, and I am sure you don't want to meet the Lord with unbelief in your heart. Have faith in God and be strong. You can't say you are strong and can't trust God for your healing. These are days when we need all the faith God has for us and He has it for us if we will contend for it.

May God bless every one who reads this and send your handkerchiefs and throw away your remedies. Put all your trust in the healing power of God and He will heal you. Send stamps and a little offering to help those who can't send stamps.—Your brother in Christ, L. G. Rouse, 5647 Stanton St., Detroit, Mich.

### Marvelously Healed of Pneumonia

MOUNTAIN CITY, Ga.—On Jan. 19 my twenty-year-old son took suddenly sick with pneumonia in his left lung. His father called the doctor and he came but my boy grew worse and worse. On the fourth day he took it in his right lung. We prayed for him, but as he is a sinner boy we did not know he was willing to trust the Lord for the healing of his body until he started asking us why he had to take medicine. Our pastor,

Brother J. E. Ledford, came and brought his wife and had prayer for him. He got delirious and so sick we had to get a nurse for him.

On the eighth day he passed the crisis and his pulse dropped from one hundred forty-five to fifty and finally stopped. The nurse thought he was dead. We sent for Brother Ledford again. In the meantime I was on my knees pleading with God for my child. Brother Ledford came and the nurse told me that she felt new strength when Brother Ledford entered the room. I shall never forget that night. The other members of my family lost hope for him, but I did not get excited so much myself because I knew God could heal and I knew Brother Ledford's prayers had been answered before in my healing. My son revived and for sometime the nurse wanted Preacher Ledford here with us at night. From that time on she somehow just depended on his prayers, and she has said over and over that prayer healed my boy. She had done everything she could do for him but she got to the place she could not go any further. After she saw how my boy revived she believes God can heal.

I just thank God for His wonderful power to heal, and I praise Him for healing my child. I thank God for a man like we have for our pastor. He and his wife surely have favor with God. I have been a member of the Church of God only about three years, have had the blessing four years this June. I love the Church of God and want to keep the rules.

My boy is well and strong and I suppose he weighs more now than he ever has. Everyone please pray for my husband to receive the Holy Ghost and for my children to be saved. Only my husband and I belong to the Church of God. I want so much to work for the Lord.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Norman Carnes.

### NOTICES

WANTED: A gospel tent of any size. Please let us know in first letter size, condition, cheapest cash price and term price of tent.—J. W. Watson, evangelist, Rt. 3, Wake Forest, N. C.

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There will be an all-day service at the Church of God at Salem, S. C., the third Sunday in June. All former pastors and near-by churches are invited to attend. Bring a well-filled basket and victory in your souls. Everybody is welcome.—Ralph Brewer, pastor.

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To whom it may concern: My address has been changed from Clarksville, Ga., Rt. 1, to Demorest, Ga., Gen. Del.—W. A. Goss.

## Testimonies

### Can't Praise God Enough

PARIS, Tex.—Dear saints of God, I praise God for real salvation, the kind that is not absent in the time of need. Jesus said He would be with us always, even unto the end of the world. I praise Him for healing my body. He took a knot off the inside of my lip when the doctor didn't. I had it burned off at first and it came back twice as large. Mother and I laid an Evangel on my mouth and prayed for it, and thank God, He took it off. Oh, thank the Lord, how good He is. That was several years ago but I still praise God for it.

I am glad I am serving a God that can hear and answer prayer. He is always ready to help you. Hallelujah! Dear saints, I thank God for health, strength, and the opportunity I have of attending church. You know if you attend church regularly and testify every chance you get, tell what God did for you and how He has blessed you, then how good you do feel in your soul. Oh, thank God. You know we can't praise God enough in these evil days.

I want the saints of God everywhere to pray for me that I will stay in the center of God's will.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. H. W. Battles, 189 W. Cherry St.

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### A Visit to W. Devon, Canada

ALBERTON, P. E. I., Can.—To the saints scattered everywhere, greetings in the precious name of Jesus, I have just returned home from a visit to West Devon where I spent one happy week among the faithful saints of The Church of God and Brother Glenn, their pastor. I had the blessed privilege of seeing the new Church of God built there last year by Brother Glenn and his faithful band, also had the privilege of speaking several times to a number of folks interested in what the good Old Book teaches.

It is truly wonderful what the Lord has done and will do for His children who are willing to trust and obey Him. There are only a few families who are able to help support this work, yet God has kept Brother Glenn and family there laboring like Paul with his own hands to see the work built up. This man needs our prayers and is worthy of our support. He goes right into the woods, works with his helpers and gets out the lumber that goes into the building. Then he drives nails until the work is finished.

They are now getting out the lumber

for a parsonage as there is no permanent home for the pastor to live in. All this must be done by faith, for truly it looks to the natural man like an impossibility under such poor circumstances as that place is in. But we remember the words of Jesus who said, With God all things are possible. And when ye pray, believe and ye shall have the things ye desire of him. Who also said unto Mary of old, Said I not unto thee if thou wouldst believe thou shouldst see the glory of God? So in His name the work goes forward. Praise the Lord. My faith is greatly increased in the Lord.

Please pray for me that the way will open up so I can get to the Church of God services as it is over eighteen miles from my home. May God richly bless each trusting heart is my prayer.—Yours in the Master's service, Mrs. Nelson B. Oliver.

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### Looking For Greater Things

TROY, Tenn.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise the Lord for the great things He is doing for us here at Graves Chapel. It seemed like a few weeks ago the church was going down. About three weeks ago we made a covenant to pray more and since we started praying more twelve have been saved, six sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and the end is not yet. We are looking for greater things in the future. All of them are coming into the church but two. They have been raised in the Methodist church and say they are going to join it, but I want the saints to pray that the Lord will show them The Church of God. Pray also for me that I will always prove faithful. I would be glad to hear from some of my friends in Detroit.—Mrs. Bessie Ahner, Rt. 1.

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### Home Coming A Real Feast

LAWRENCEBURG, Tenn. — Dear readers, we are glad to report our home coming day one of the best blessings for Wilburns Chapel in some time. In the morning following the devotional service Sister Alice Baird delivered a message on "God the Just Judge." Following this was a testimony service conducted by Brother C. E. Berryhill. Oh, such shouting, dancing, talking in tongues, singing in the Spirit, and praying. A message was given out and one brother fell at the altar without an invitation and began seeking God. People were lost in the spirit, swaying under the mighty hand of God. The glory of God shone on the faces and filled the house. Praise God!

A short but very interesting talk was given by Brother Harry E. Clark, a Pentecostal Holiness preacher, on "Why Do We Honor Mother with Sacredness?"

Our Sunday School children marched in and sang a song. Then came noon hour. A beautiful lunch was spread under the oaks in the little churchyard. Every one enjoyed himself.

The first thing in the afternoon service we gave a praise to God for mother. Many good things were said on this subject by different speakers. This was followed by some good special singing. Brother J. L. Phillips brought a message on "Our Father and Mother Heavenly and Earthly" which was good. Sister Springs also brought a short message on "The Spirit of Jonah." Brother C. E. Berryhill delivered a message on "The Four Horses." This message surely was inspired by the Holy Ghost and souls were stirred. Then came the handshakes and good-byes.

May we all live a holy life so that we may go to that holy place prepared for us. May God bless all who perchance may read this. Pray for me in my work for the Lord and especially at this place.—Your sister evangelist, Mrs. B. H. Clark, Rt. 5.

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### Healed Many Times

FARGO, Ga.—I am truly thanking God this morning for what He is to me. I praise Him for saving, sanctifying, and adding me to the great Church of God four years ago. I want to be true to the Church and her teachings. Oh, I am so glad of this highway of holiness, it means so much to me.

I praise God for His wonderful healing power. He has healed me many times. A few weeks ago I was very sick with pleurisy and suffered much. There was no one to call in to pray for me, so one day I was praying for myself and promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify to it. He healed me, praise the Lord. I can never praise Him enough for the way He takes care of me. I am trusting Him for both soul and body and really know He can save souls and heal the sick.

I don't get to go to church very often as I live thirty miles from the nearest Church of God, although we can live the life if we don't get to go to church very often.

I am afflicted with a goitre on my throat, so please pray a special prayer for me to be healed, receive the Holy Ghost and stay true and obedient so that I'll be ready when Jesus comes. This is a needy place for the gospel to be preached as I am the only Church of God member here. I wish some Church of God preacher who feels led to come here would come and hold a few days' meeting. Some one with a tent would be more suitable for this place as there isn't a Church of God building here.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. E. T. Brown.

## Wonderful How God Blesses

GRAHAM, Ga.—We are glad to say God is still blessing around Graham, Ga. We meet every Friday night and Sunday afternoon for prayer services and it's wonderful how God does bless us. Sister White moved to this community a few years ago. There was sin and wickedness all around, no one seemed to care anything about holiness. She would become so burdened she would fall on her knees while preparing a meal and ask God to send some one here to preach the Word. So last year the owners of this firm decided to move holiness people here. Today we have a Church of God tabernacle about one and one-half miles from Sister White's.

We moved here the first of last year. We started prayer services. Eight received the Holy Ghost and others were wonderfully blessed. We are still enjoying the revival spirit. Several preachers have come to help us out. A Missionary Baptist preacher has been with us several times. Help us pray for him that he will walk in the light. Brother Coleman, a Methodist minister, brought us a wonderful message last Sunday. He is really looking this way. Please remember him in your prayers, also remember another request.

I've traveled in the evangelistic work at different times for twenty-two years and oh, how I long to get on the battlefield again. My husband is unsaved but is under deep conviction. Pray that he will be saved and obey the Lord.

We have ladies' meeting out in the grove every Tuesday afternoon. We pray especially for every request in the Evangel. Some have been wonderfully healed in these little meetings. I was healed instantly of a nervous indigestion of long standing that had almost made me a nervous wreck.

We certainly enjoy reading the Evangel. I'm so filled with the love of God after reading it. I get right down on my knees and thank God for His great Church and His brave soldiers in the front ranks.—Your sister under the blood of Jesus, Ella Ross, Rt. 1.

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## The Lord Has Been With Me

THOMASTON, Me.—Dear Evangel readers, greetings from the "pine tree state." I'm here in a battle for the Lord. I have just closed a revival in Auburn, Me. The Lord surely was with us there. We had large crowds and great interest was shown. We have some wonderful people in Maine. They believe in trusting God for healing and praying through. We have a good overseer, Brother H. W. Po-teat, who believes in the power of God and that the days of miracles aren't over. Praise God. He is also a believer in pray-

ing through. And too, his sweet, good wife is a humble woman who can reach the throne in prayer. She is surely a God-fearing woman. I wish we had more people like them.

I surely have enjoyed working in Maine this year. God has been with me in many ways and I praise Him for all He has done for me.

Maine is a ripe field in which to work. Many gold nuggets are hidden in this state. We only need preachers who can trust God to come here and dig them up and polish and clean them. If you know how to trust God and are not afraid of giants, just come to Maine—not for money, but for souls. Brother Po-teat, I am sure, would be glad to welcome you.

I ask all who can pray a prayer through to pray for me that God will keep His loving hand over me and heal me of kidney trouble. I know He can for I have trusted Him for my healing sixteen years and I have always been able to get Him. Glory! I am in a battle in Thomaston, Me. now so pray for God to give us souls for our labor.—Your sister in Christ, Emma Newman.

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## Heaven Seems More Beautiful

Dear saints of God, I am truly praising God to-night for free and full salvation. I praise Him for His wonderful love. I praise Him because heaven seems more beautiful to-night. On Wednesday evening, May 6th, at fifteen till five, the angels carried my little five-year-old girl away to rest with Jesus. I am so happy to say that soon I am going to see her. I know she is happy to-night, and it gives me great joy to know that she loved the Church of God. While she was sick she told us that everytime she shut her eyes she saw the Church. I am so glad we took her to the Church of God. She enjoyed it so much. She cried to go to church and Sunday School the Sunday she took sick. She talked about the Lord and His wonderful love.

We are truly praising God for the way He is blessing the church here. Our pastor and his good wife, Brother and Sister Garland Grooms, are wonderfully good. They are real children of God and we thank God for them. They stand four-square for the Church of God and its teachings. All seem to love and appreciate them. We have a wonderful Sunday School and Y. P. E. God is really blessing here.

Dear saints, I need your prayers. Please pray for me, also pray for my unsaved loved ones, especially pray that the Lord will heal my body. Please don't pass this by.—Your sister in Christ, Lillian Poole, E. Marion, N. C.

## A Few Words From Sarasota, Fla.

SARASOTA, Fla.—We thank God for His goodness to us here. The fellowship is sweet and the power of God's Spirit honors His Word. The saints shout for joy. The altar is almost filled every service. We have now finished and paid for our new church seats and the painting of our church and wall in front of church lot. We have made concrete landing, steps, and church front. We have practically put a new roof on the church also. We now have some cash in our treasury. Our plans are to build ladies' and men's rest rooms at the church, then ceil the inside and build our parsonage.

God has graciously helped me with my work here and these improvements this year. My church people are good to respond and stand by me. We also thank God for our friends outside the church. We have a lively Sisters' Circle, Y. P. E. and Sabbath School. Sabbath School attendance has increased from a very low attendance to over the hundred mark. Please remember us at the throne.—Faithfully yours, J. W. Shaw, pastor.

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## The Lord Still Blessing at Fairview Church

RULEVILLE, Miss.—I thank God for the good day He gave us on Mother's Day. We met Sunday morning with a good attendance. We had many visitors from different places. The service proved to be a great success. We had music and speaking by the Sunday School children. At noon dinner was served at the church. Everybody seemed to enjoy the nice program, also the good dinner which God had permitted us to prepare.

In the afternoon we had a praise service followed by a message by Brother S. S. Monroe, our pastor, which was soul-food to us. We met for the evening service at six o'clock. The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost were with us. We had another praise service in which the Lord had His way. Brother Monroe gave another short talk on "Why We Should Observe the Lord's Supper" and the saints washed feet. Great power came down in our midst. I can feel His sweet presence now. Glory to God! There was shouting, dancing, and talking in tongues. His power surely was with us.

We enjoyed having all the visitors with us and give them a hearty welcome to come again. We are just a few in number but thank God for a few who are on fire for God. We covet your prayers for we are just a humble little band trying our best to serve God.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. D. L. Burlison, R. R. 2.



# MISSIONS

## MY TRIP FROM CHINA TO INDIA

BY J. H. INGRAM

THE S. S. "Hakozaki Maru" arrived in Hong Kong on time, and anchored out in the harbor preparatory to sailing at an early hour next day. I went aboard the ship to sleep, and at seven o'clock the following morning was awakened by the noise and vibration of the driving machinery as it was put into motion. I reluctantly said farewell to China with her four hundred and some odd millions of sin-benighted souls. The Chinese are a very friendly people and easy to approach with the gospel message, and I have found them willing in most cases to favor the missionaries, especially was this true during my visits to the different Latin American countries. If we wanted a corner to preach on, we could always depend on the Chinese merchants extending this courtesy, while others who professed to be Christians would turn us away. We have some good folks looking this way, and hope to be able to open up another work in China soon. When I arrived in India a letter was awaiting me telling of another prospect in that country.

It was about 1,600 miles from Hong Kong to Singapore, Malaya. The route took us across the China Sea lengthwise. For nearly one whole day we were cruising near shore off the coast of French Indo-China. The scenery was most beautiful, with the many islands lying about and the pretty green hills of the mainland spread out before us, dotted here and there with the white farm houses. Far inland could be seen the towering mountains which extended into the neighboring Kingdom of Siam. We saw one prominent town built on the slopes near the sea. At places it looked like the rock cliffs might be hundreds of feet high, and rose abruptly from the water.

I had hoped to get a glimpse of the Island of Borneo—the home of the traditional wild man—but it was too far out at sea.

We spent only one night in Singapore and although there are some full-gospel missionaries in Malaya, I did not get to contact any of them. This is an island possession and is joined to the mainland by a causeway. Some of the passengers made a visit to the neighboring state of Johore, and I learned the Sultan had prepared tea in anticipation of a visit from

some of us. I don't think, however, any one accepted the invitation—not knowing it in time. I went on a visit to the Mohammedan Mosque and a number of other interesting places, after which I got busy with my correspondence, trying to catch up with my writing.

Our next stop was at Georgetown on the Island of Penang—also a Malay state. We spent only a few hours at this place, visiting a number of heathen shrines and temples where many sickening sights were to be seen. I made a visit to one old Christian church, built about one hundred twenty years ago, where I was privileged to rest and pray.

We had been steaming through the straits of Malacca for the last several hundred miles, and leaving Penang we cut across between the small Island of Pulo Weh and the large Island of Sumatra in the Dutch East Indies. The beauties of the scenery could hardly be described. Especially is this true with regard to Sumatra. This island is about 700 miles in length by 200 in width, at the longest and widest, and although the home of wild elephants and tigers, the country is being rapidly developed along modern lines, and its backward people are making a splendid showing under the apt leadership of the Dutch authorities.

From here we entered the Indian Ocean proper, and were faced with a thousand miles of open sea, crossing the Bay of Bengal to Colombo, Ceylon. Ceylon is a British Island in the Indian Ocean about twenty-two miles off the southern tip of Hindustan or India. The island is about 250 miles long, and about 100 miles wide at the widest place. It is the spot where the west-bound traveler from America says good-bye to the East and where the traveler from Europe gets his first real glimpse of the East. Ceylon is one of those rare islands having much praise lavished upon it, having been a magic and alluring isle in the minds of men since the days of the early Greeks. Here elephants are domesticated and trained to do different kinds of work, they are especially useful in moving heavy timbers. The climate is very hot throughout the year, but one can find relief in a few hours by resorting to the cooler belt in the higher levels, as the highest peak is around 8,000 feet above the sea level. The principal products of the island are, rubber, cocoanuts, tea, and cinnamon.

I landed in Colombo, the principal

city, and after clearing the customs and passing the immigration office boarded the train for Talaimannar pier. We left at 8:15 P. M. and reached the boat landing at 6:00 the following morning where the boat was waiting to take us across to the mainland. Two hours later we got our first real glimpse of India, that is, land. Land of the living and the dead, offering vivid scenes of fabulous wealth and fabulous poverty, splendor and rags, palaces and hovels, gay-hued cities, dense jungles. India, as Mark Twain said, "is endowed with imperishable interest for alien prince and alien peasant, for lettered and ignorant, wise and foolish, rich and poor, bond and free, the land that all men desire to see and having seen once by even a glimpse, would not give that glimpse for the shows of all the rest of the globe combined." From what I have already seen of India I could quite agree with Mr. Twain, were it not for my forthcoming visit to Egypt and the Holy Land, which I am sure will come as a climax to my round-the-world tour, God permitting.

To the left of the ship coming over were a string of tiny reefs or islands which are thought to be the remains or ruins of a prehistoric bridge, in fact it is known as "Adam's Bridge," and is said to have connected the island with the mainland at one time.

At Danushkodi pier we boarded the Indo-Ceylon Express of the South India Railway. The train left at 10:10 A. M. and arrived at Trichinopoly Junction about 7:00 P. M., waited four hours for the Blue Mountains Express which took us to Mettupalaiyam, arriving at 8:45 A. M. the following day. Here we changed to the Nilgiri Railway, taking the narrow gauge up the mountain to Ootacamund, where we arrived at 12:00 noon. It was around 580 miles from Colombo to Ootacamund, and took about forty hours to make the trip. I haven't time nor space in which to tell about the wonderful sights seen en route. It was mostly desert plains during the first part of the journey, and the whole countryside seemed to be literally burned up, so to speak, it being the dry season and the hottest time of the year. As we began to reach the uplands vegetation took on more life, and we passed through several interesting towns and villages, such as Periyanaikanpalaiyam, etc. Of course, the reader will not be expected to pronounce the above name until after he has had a chance to brush up a little on his orthography.

The Indian railways are well laid, usually with rock bed and steel crossties. The trains are quite rapid and generally run on schedule time, and are up-to-date, although strangely constructed when

compared with those on American lines. For example, the ends of the coaches are closed up making it impossible to go from coach to coach while the train is in motion. Each car usually has two compartments, accommodating sixteen passengers by day and eight by night. The seats are of imitation leather and arranged lengthwise so they can be converted into sleeping berths at night, one above another. Ladies who do not have male escorts, are provided with private compartments. The passengers enter and leave from doors at the side and are left alone while the train is in motion. An emergency bell cord is provided in case it should be necessary to stop en route.

Ootacamund is in the Nilgiri Hills, better said mountains, as the city itself is about 8,000 feet above sea level. It is known as the "Queen of the hill stations" and has a very delightful climate. For this reason it has been made the summer capital of the Madras Presidency, and has otherwise come to be a noted summer resort. Many missionaries come to "Ooty" for a little rest and a change from the terrible hot plains. Many of them are coming in at this time and our number is increasing daily. We are quartered in the beautiful missionary rest home provided through the gifts of Mrs. Francesca Gamble of the P&G Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.

We have a Brother Culver from Kentucky in charge of the home. He and wife have put in about thirty years on this field. When we were crossing the plains coming up from the coast, I thought a time or two I would collapse the pressure of the heat was so great, but as we neared the foothills I was left alone in my compartment and got a chance to really pray through. As I looked from the windows and saw the people working in the fields, picking cotton and tea, and otherwise engaged, a spirit of weeping came over me and I was so wrought upon by the Spirit that I forgot all about myself. The trip up the mountain was very interesting indeed, it being a climb of about 7,000 feet in twenty-nine miles. We crossed gorge after gorge and saw some of the highest cliffs. Many beautiful streams could be seen with the clear water plunging downwards for hundreds of feet forming pretty falls.

Bro. Manoah met me at the station and had planned for a special reception at the church where I preached to a large gathering of people, while he interpreted in the Tamil language. After service I was the guest of honor at a dinner, was treated to some special native music and singing. Then the host placed the traditional garland of flowers about my neck, pinned a small bouquet on the lapel of my coat and placed a large one in my

hand while the photographer took pictures of the group. Then my escort started home with me. I felt mortified with all this flowery decoration, carrying my Bible and walking with a cane, but did not want to be discourteous. After turning the corner I did take the garland off and hang it on my arm, but the natives along the way still persisted in saluting, and would generally say "Padri or Master" according to their custom.

In my next article I will tell you something of how I am being received as a messenger of God, and of the opportunities we have in this mission field. In the meantime please pray, everyone, and remember we will need some money, for while the gospel is free, it costs a great deal to get the Word to the people and more to maintain the work on the field.

You may ask how far I have gone. It is approximately 14,500 miles from Cleveland, Tenn., going via California and across the Pacific. I have spent forty days aboard ship en route, not including the trip to the Philippines.

### Another Wonderful Convention Gone Down in History

We have just closed the greatest convention in history for this district. God was there with power to bless and He surely did bless His saints. God used His ministers to deliver messages through our beloved state overseer, Brother Clark, and our district pastor, Brother W. V. Cable. We had with us ministers from all over the district. They gave out messages that were inspiring to all of us.

We also had with us Brother R. H. Tadlock who gave some wonderful talks that brought us closer together. We took an offering for the camp grounds and tabernacle. Cash offerings were \$29.00; pledges, \$160.00. Offerings for state and district overseers \$20.00 and \$15.00 respectively.

The meeting closed with everybody feeling a real blessing in the Lord. Brother Tadlock remained with us to hold a revival and God has wonderfully blessed, saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. We are looking for a greater outpouring of God's Spirit in this revival. We ask the Church to pray that the Lord will bless this little church at Garrison, W. Va. — Your brother in Christ, Don Turner, clerk.

### MAY HONOR ROLL

The following is the number of Bible Correspondence Course students from each state that have made 98 to 100 per cent on their examination papers for the month of May. West Virginia wins first place this month, but she was only one step ahead of three other states. Good

work, West Virginia!

West Virginia, 8; Georgia, 7; South Carolina, 7; Ohio, 7; North Carolina, 5; Florida, 5; Tennessee, 5; Alabama, 4; Kentucky, 4; Texas, 4; Pennsylvania, 3; Indiana, 2; Michigan, 2; Maine, 2; Missouri, 2; Mississippi, 2; Illinois, 2; New York, 1; Maryland, 1; Oklahoma, 1; Arkansas, 1; California, 1; South Dakota, 1; Wyoming, 1.

### STATE CONVENTIONS

#### Canadian Convention

Robsart, Sask., Can., June 4-7  
PAUL H. WALKER, Overseer

#### Florida State Camp Meeting

June 4-14, Wimauma, Fla.  
E. W. WILLIAMS, Overseer

#### Ohio State Convention

Akron, Ohio, June 4-7  
E. HAYNES, Overseer

#### Tennessee State Convention

Cleveland, Tenn., June 19-21  
M. P. CROSS, Overseer

#### Pennsylvania State Convention

Somerset, Pa., June 24-28  
C. H. BLANKENSHIP, Overseer

#### Northwest Camp Meeting and Convention

Minot, N. Dak., June 27-July 5  
PAUL H. WALKER, Overseer

#### Kansas, Nebraska, and Iowa States Convention

Pittsburg, Kans., July 10-12  
J. M. SNYDER, Overseer

#### Georgia Camp Meeting

Macon, Ga., July 9-19  
J. P. HUGHES, Overseer

#### Alabama State Camp Meeting

Sumiton, Ala., July 17-26  
G. C. DUNN, Overseer

#### West Virginia State Convention

Bayard, W. Va., July 23-26  
E. C. CLARK, Overseer

#### Kentucky State Camp Meeting

Somerset, Ky., July 23-Aug. 1  
J. C. JERNIGAN, Overseer

#### South Carolina State Convention

Greenville, S. C., July 30-Aug. 2  
R. P. JOHNSON, Overseer

#### Southern Alabama Camp Meeting

Sunny South Church of God  
Near Pine Hill, Ala., July 31-Aug. 9  
G. C. DUNN, Overseer

## REVIVALS

GARRISON, W. Va.—We have had another 'good meeting at Garrison with Brother Tadlock doing the preaching. God surely did bless. Twenty were saved, eight sanctified, thirteen filled with the Holy Ghost, nine baptized in water, and twelve added to the church. The saints were edified in the Spirit and the church is going along very nicely. We ask all the saints to pray for us that we will go forward for God at all times and keep our minds stayed on Him.—Don Turner, clerk.

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SEVIERVILLE, Tenn. — We just closed a two weeks' revival at Sevierville in which Brother Carl Richard did the preaching. Seven were saved, one sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. Conviction was deep and folks were very interested. We hope Brother Richard will come back as we feel he could be of great help to the church here.—A sister in Christ, Ollie May Johann, 118 Joy St.

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LAKE PARK, Ga.—I praise God for the wonderful blessings He has bestowed on me. During a revival held by Brother Joe McCall and Brother Lawson Culpepper last November God wonderfully saved, sanctified, and filled me with the Holy Ghost.

We have organized a Y. P. E. at Bethel church and God has been blessing us wonderfully. I have been chosen Y. P. E. president and I ask all you praying people to pray for me that God will strengthen me and help me do His will at all times regardless of what happens.—A sister in Christ, Rubye Boone.

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DILLON, S. C.—At the close of our district convention April 12, Brother Clyde C. Cox, our pastor and district overseer, started a revival which lasted three weeks. The Lord surely did bless. Seventeen were saved, six sanctified, and six filled with the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost would take charge of the services and the saints would shout. Twenty-two united with the church, twelve coming in by transfer, which gives us an increase of fifty members since the Assembly. We have a good Sunday School. We have two hundred sixty in attendance and it is still increasing. Pray for us in Dillon that God will continue to bless and the church will rise and shine and many more souls will be born into the kingdom of God.—Sincerely, Gary Cook.

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AKRON, Ohio.—We have just closed

a revival at the Church of God in Akron, Ohio, conducted by Sister Florence Kinsley from Canton. Large crowds attended almost every night to hear her inspiring messages. Her experience in the foreign missionary work has enabled her to preach the gospel with boldness and she is a very influential personal worker. Brother Kinsley is also a very devoted worker for the Lord. Several were saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, eleven were added to the church, and eight baptized in water. Many persons from other denominations attended these services and enjoyed the Spirit and power of God.—R. H. Bell, pastor.

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ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—We are glad to report victory over the devil here in North St. Joseph. We started a revival April 12 with Brother C. E. French in charge, assisted by our pastor, Brother J. M. Foshe. The revival closed April 26 with two souls saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost, and added to the church. All the saints were very much encouraged and the church strengthened for which we surely praise God.

We are now planning another revival May 24, with Brother B. F. Clark in charge, D. V. We earnestly request the prayer of every saint of God for this revival.—Beatrice Koonse, clerk.

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MORRISTOWN, Tenn.—The Church of God at this place has closed a wonderful revival with great success. Nine were saved, thirteen sanctified, nine filled with the Holy Ghost, and fifteen added to the church. We are grateful to God and Brother Hensley for this wonderful revival. This meeting has been the best the Church of God here has had for many years and we give the Lord all the praise. The church is now rising to new spiritual heights. We thank God for Brother Hensley, our pastor.—Dewey R. Boatman.

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NEWPORT, Tenn.—We opened a revival assisted by Brother Lon Price and wife. God blessed in a great way. The revival continued three weeks. Thirty-four were saved, thirty-two sanctified, thirty-four filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-four added to the church, and seventeen baptized in water. Four nights during the revival the Holy Ghost took complete charge of the service and the altar was filled with hungry-hearted people. The sick were healed, the saints quickened with the mighty power of God. We had our state overseer, Brother M. P. Cross, with us one night. Pray for us here in Newport.—Humbly, H. C. Peek.

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TEMPLE, Ga.—The Lord is blessing in the country. We left our job and home at Shannon, Ga. to work for the

Lord. My wife, son, and I attended the Rome, Ga. convention. We left there for Carrollton but landed out in the country near Draketown. Here we found some people who wanted to know about our Lord, so we got a three-room dwelling with the partitions out and seated it. We gave them the Word and it had its weight. Seven were saved, six sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost. Our crowds were large. Our district pastor, Brother J. F. Brown, came and set a church in order with seven members. Everyone of them wanted me to stay and be their pastor until the Assembly. Pray for us out here, times are hard here in the country. Our church is two miles northwest of Draketown. Pray for us and our little church.—C. N. O'Kelly, Route 3.

## Death Notices

### TURNER

E. T. Turner passed away May 19, 1936, at the age of seventy-six years. He received the Holy Ghost thirty-eight years ago, preached divine healing, and trusted God to the end. He was a Christian since the age of nineteen years. His home was in Amarillo, Tex.—His daughter, Mrs. Ola Worley, Twitty, Tex.

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### DAILY

On May 9, 1936, the Lord saw fit to call our dear Sister Sarah J. Daily away to glory. She was a member and evangelist of The Church of God. She had been in the Church sixteen years, was a real woman of God and a loyal member of the Church. The funeral was held in The Church of God at Parkersburg with her pastor in charge.—G. W. Messer, pastor, Parkersburg, W. Va.

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### CROLEY

Sister Mary Croley departed this life May 22, 1936. She was a faithful and good woman, having been a member of the Church about twenty-five years. She trusted the Lord and her home-going was with great sorrow to all the church and her many friends. She was fifty-four years old.—One who had great confidence in her, her pastor, Starling Smith, Williamsburg, Ky.

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### HONEYCUTT

Sister Etta Honeycutt passed away to be with Jesus April 30, 1936. She was a faithful member of the Church of God. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother H. L. Whittington. Interment was made in Kannapolis, N. C. cemetery.—Annie Freeze.



## Requests

I want all the saints to pray for me and my husband that the Lord will fill us with the sweet Holy Ghost as we are so hungry for the blessing. I praise God for our Y. P. E. here which is doing fine. Please pray for the president of our Y. P. E. She doesn't have the Holy Ghost but she has the work at heart and it is progressing under her leadership. Pray much for me that I will keep humble.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. W. E. Laws, Seaboard, Va.

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We started a revival here May 23 with Sister Sidney Cantrell doing the preaching. Pray that God will bless. Also pray for our pastor as he has been sick, not able to be with us. Earnestly pray for me that God will give me wisdom to be a shepherd to lead my flock the way they need to go as I am the only one in my family who is saved.—Mrs. Pearl Davis, Box 203, Bromide, Okla.

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Please pray for a revival which started at Tiger, Ga. May 24, in the community house, with Brother and Sister Rich in charge. This is a new place. Pray that God will give us many souls at this place for it is a needy place.—T. W. Harkins.

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Dear saints, we are in a battle for Jesus at Ray City, Ga., and we request your prayers for God to bless, save, sanctify, and fill many with the Holy Ghost. Pray for my children to be saved. I also have an unspoken request. Please pray that it will be answered. Pray for my wife and me to be wonderfully given up to the Lord and His service.—Your brother in Christ, J. H. Lee, Ray City, Ga.

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I surely am carrying a cross but, praise the Lord, He makes a way for me. I want every child of God to pray for my husband who has backslidden. Pray that the Lord will work with his heart until he yields. I feel he is in danger. Pray for me that I will let the Holy Ghost be my guide and live for the Lord all my life.—Your sister, Mintie Mitchell, Cawood, Ky.

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I ask you to pray a special prayer for my sister. She has heart dropsy and the doctor says there is no chance for her, but I know the Lord can heal. Pray in earnest.—Her sister, Maggie Kinsey.

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I ask all to pray for me. I had an operation but haven't got any results from it. I am miserable all the time. I feel like I am forsaken by everybody. I want

every reader of the Evangel to earnestly pray that the Lord will give me some relief. I am not a member of any church. I want the Christians to pray much for my condition to improve.—Julian Tong, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

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Pray for the revival here at Crichton, Ala., that God will save souls. The services are being held under a gospel tent and the Lord is blessing our efforts here.—The Church of God, Crichton, Ala.

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Dear saints of God everywhere, please pray a special prayer for my sister, Ollie-mac Holland. She is very sick with chills and fever. If Brothers Rouse, Brewer, and Dunn see this, please pray earnestly for her. Also every one who knows the worth of prayer pray.—Your brother, Clyde Holland, Rt. 1, Reform, Ala.

## THE ALTAR OF BAAL

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old, who came forth in mere salvation, full grown giants, able to do and dare, dauntless, full of courage and valour, braving fire and prison? They came forth clean and clear-cut from the world, the flesh and the devil. Such men as Wycliff, Finney, Moody, Torrey. Torrey was in my day and through his preaching God brought men forth clean and clear-cut from the world, and with a deeper, cleaner and clearer experience of conversion than most of the saved, sanctified, baptized folks of to-day.

Nine-tenths of those who speak in tongues are but counterfeits with no change in their lives to-day. That's why we came into the Church of God where they seek sanctification first. The Protestant churches have copied the old heathen customs of the Roman Catholics. Christmas is a mass for Christ. Trees decorated are expensive, needless and idolatrous, Jer. 10:3, 4. Easter from "Asterite," a heathen goddess, Easter bunnies and eggs have no connection with the resurrected Christ. Plays in the house of God is an abomination to Him. My stepmother was an elocutionist and she brought all these cute little programs and plays into all the churches of the city and finally they ended up in the theatre. I was but a little child and was in them too, but Dad said no daughter of his would ever go on the stage. Sure, we all went to the movies, shows, and theaters, but to be an actress was a terrible thing. No! No! No! I had a little mule inside me that rose up and balked and kicked when opposed and I was just wild to go on the stage. The spirit of an actress lured and tempted me as I walked around the wings and dressing rooms and furnishings of the theatre.

Now, if you have that talent of acting and that weakness for the stage,

should the church help you to hell through its plays? My stepmother was a real mother to me and I loved her—a refined, talented, cultured, beautiful woman! She was lionized in SOCIETY, which helped her to hell through its drink. I was but a little child when I learned to hate that word, "society" whose first letter looked like a snake and all through the years my hatred has grown. "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet and shew my people the sin back of these programs and plays in the house of God." Why not have them in the theatre where they belong, where real talent has been trained and you get your money's worth? Why despise the socials and dinners in other churches and have plays and programs in our own? Movie actors and actresses, when converted, use their talent to save souls, no more to entertain. They become evangelists going to and fro, preaching the everlasting G O S P E L which alone can save the never dying souls of men. Glory to God! When the gospel is preached under that matchless Holy Ghost power, you will see multitudes spellbound or moved and swayed as one man to His will. Why be satisfied with a substitute when you can have the real; why take the counterfeit that the world, the flesh and the devil offer you, when you can have the Holy Ghost fire in your pulpit and pew?

"Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet," O Church of the living God, and throw down that old altar of Baal and cut down the grove that is by it.

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morning was brought by Brother G. E. Poole which was excellent. Saturday night the writer delivered a message.

Sunday morning a sermon was delivered by Brother G. B. Langford on "Love" which exceeded any we ever heard on that subject. Next followed a message by Brother Tidwell which was equally as good. Sunday afternoon we had reports of the churches on the district, also a sermon by Sister Gladys Roberson which was just fine. Brother Tidwell went to Alma for the night service, leaving Brother Roberts to preach on the last subject of the convention, "When Will the Rapture Take Place?" This excelled any previous sermon ever heard on this subject.

The attendance was fine throughout the convention. The preaching averaged among the best we ever heard on each subject. Brother Tidwell was favorably accepted by all in the convention. We give God the glory for His presence to make the convention a success.—D. F. Baldree, Winokur, Ga.



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